



General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 2124



Offered by:

REP. AMANN, 118th Dist.

To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 37

File No. 3

Cal. No.

"AN ACT CONCERNING THE RATES OF STATE CIGARETTE TAXES."

1 After the last section, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2002*) For the fiscal year ending June
3 30, 2003, and for each fiscal year thereafter, the Commissioner of
4 Revenue Services shall segregate one hundred twenty-eight million
5 dollars from the revenue attributable to sections 12-296 and 12-316 of
6 the general statutes, as amended by this act, and section 3 of this act.
7 Such segregated funds shall be allocated by the Secretary of the Office
8 of Policy and Management to the appropriate agencies in the amounts
9 and for the purposes set forth as follows:

10 (1) Forty million dollars to allow the parents of children eligible for
11 the HUSKY program to buy into said program on a similar sliding
12 scale basis that children can be enrolled and to allow those families
13 whose household incomes are greater than three hundred per cent of
14 the federal poverty level and individual adults without eligible

15 children to buy into said program on the basis of the cost of their
16 enrollment;

17 (2) Forty million dollars to carry out a model tobacco control and
18 prevention program adopted by the Departments of Public Health and
19 Mental Health and Addiction Services;

20 (3) Ten million dollars to implement the ConnPACE Part B drug
21 discount program, to assist community health centers and other clinics
22 in making lower priced drugs available to patients of any age, and to
23 establish a Prescription Drug Price Review Board;

24 (4) Twenty million dollars to defray the associated start-up costs of,
25 and to assist in lowering premiums for, businesses that buy into the
26 Municipal Employees Health Insurance Program;

27 (5) Fourteen million dollars to provide for increased staffing at
28 nursing homes; and

29 (6) Four million dollars to expand the pilot community-based long
30 term care program for the elderly."